

## Daily Digest

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\*\*Before an entry denotes that the item is part of the FCC's implementation of the 1996 Telecom Act. While we will attempt to flag all Telecom Act-related items, this marking is unofficial and informational only.

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The following items were adopted at the October 29, 1996, Commission meeting and released later that day.

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NEWS RELEASES

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\*\*FCC RELIEVES LONG DISTANCE COMPANIES FROM TARIFF FILING REQUIREMENTS--CC DOCKET NO. 96-61 (REPORT NO DC 96-94, ACTION IN DOCKET CASE). The Commission, exercising the new forbearance authority granted to the Commission in the Telecommunications Act of 1996, ruled that non-dominant interexchange carriers will no longer file tariffs for their interstate domestic long distance services. Action by the Commission October 29, 1996, by Second Report and Order (FCC 96-424). Adopted: October 29, 1996. News Media Contact: Mindy Ginsburg (202) 418-1591. CCB Contact: Christopher Heimann at (202) 418-1580. Internet URL: /Bureaus/Common\_Carrier/News\_Releases/nrcc6076.txt

FCC STREAMLINES SATELLITE APPLICATION AND LICENSING PROCEDURES; ACTION WILL HELP U.S. SATELLITE INDUSTRY COMPETE IN GLOBAL MARKET -- IB DOCKET NO. 95-117 (REPORT NO. DC 96-93, ACTION IN DOCKET CASE). The Commission adopted rules and policies to streamline application and licensing procedures and requirements for satellite space and earth stations under Part 25 of its rules. Action by the Commission October 29, 1996, by Report and Order (FCC 96-425). Adopted: October 29, 1996. News Media Contact: Rochelle Cohen (202) 418-0500. IB Contact: Tracey Weisler at (202) 418-0744 or Frank Peace at (202) 418-0730. Internet URL: /Bureaus/International/News\_Releases/nrin6025.txt

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The following items are dated for and released on October 30, 1996:

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NEWS RELEASES

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LATEST FCC ANNUAL REPORT NOW AVAILABLE FROM GPO. OMD. Internet URL: /Bureaus/Miscellaneous/News\_Releases/nrmc6093.txt

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PUBLIC NOTICES

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Report No: N-045-A. Released: October 30, 1996. COMMON CARRIER NETWORK SERVICES APPLICATIONS. Internet URL: /Bureaus/Common\_Carrier/Public\_Notices/index.html

Released: October 30, 1996. US WEST PETITIONS COMMISSION FOR WAIVER OF PART 69.4(B) - CCB/CPD 96-27. Comments due December 2; replies December 18. (DA No. 96-1787). Contact: Al Barna, Competitive Pricing Division (202) 418-1530. Internet URL: /Bureaus/Common\_Carrier/Public\_Notices/index.html

Released: October 30, 1996. COMMON CARRIER BUREAU, NETWORK SERVICES DIVISION PUBLIC REFERENCE ROOM TO CLOSE TEMPORARILY ON FRIDAYS BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1, 1996, UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. Reference room will be open Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Contact: Carmell Weathers at (202) 418-2325. Internet URL: /Bureaus/Common\_Carrier/Public\_Notices/index.html

Report No: DS-1678. Released: October 30, 1996. SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES ACTIONS. Internet URL: /Bureaus/International/Public\_Notices/index.html

Report No: DS-1677. Released: October 30, 1996. SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INFORMATION: SATELLITE RADIO APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR FILING. Internet URL: /Bureaus/International/Public\_Notices/index.html

Report No: 43857. Released: October 30, 1996. BROADCAST ACTIONS.

Report No: 23857. Released: October 30, 1996. BROADCAST APPLICATIONS.

Report No: 292. Released: October 30, 1996. EXPERIMENTAL ACTIONS. Internet URL: /Bureaus/Engineering\_Technology/Public\_Notices/index.html

Report No: 2160. Released: October 30, 1996. PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION AND CLARIFICATION OF ACTION IN RULEMAKING PROCEEDINGS. Internet URL: /Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Public\_Notices/index.html

Released: October 30, 1996. TARIFF TRANSMITTAL PUBLIC REFERENCE LOG-OCTOBER 29. Internet URL: /Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Public\_Notices/index.html

Report No: NCS-97-05-A. Released: October 30, 1996. WIRELESS NARROWBAND  
BRANCH INFORMATION. Internet URL:  
/Bureaus/Wireless/Public\_Notices/index.html

Report No: NCS-97-05. Released: October 30, 1996. WIRELESS NARROWBAND  
COMMERCIAL RADIO SERVICE INFORMATION- PUBLIC MOBILE SERVICES APPLICATIONS  
ACCEPTED FOR FILING. Internet URL:  
/Bureaus/Wireless/Public\_Notices/index.html

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## TEXTS

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TCI CABLEVISION OF NEVADA, INC. Consolidated and denied four separate  
appeals of local cable rate orders filed by TCI Cablevision of Nevada,  
Inc. Action by Chief, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: October 23, 1996.  
by Consolidated Order. (DA No. 96-1753). CSB Internet URL: index.html

BENTLEYVILLE TELEPHONE COMPANY. Dismissed as moot an Application for  
Review and the companion Request for Stay filed by The Helicon Group, L.P.  
d/b/a Helicon Cablevision, involving an MO&O issued on May 17, 1995  
granting Bentleyville Telephone Company Section 214 authorization to  
construct and operate a cable television system in the Borough of  
Bentleyville, Pennsylvania. Action by the Commission. Adopted: July 8,  
1996. by Order. (FCC No. 96-303). CSB Internet URL:  
/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/index.html

MOTOROLA SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS, INC. Granted Motorola Satellite  
Communications, Inc.'s application for modification of its authorization  
for the space segment of its proposed "IRIDIUM" low-earth orbit satellite  
telecommunication system and an associated request for waiver of certain  
provisions of the FCC's rules. Action by Chief, International Bureau.  
Adopted: October 30, 1996. by O&A. (DA No. 96-1789). IB Internet URL:  
index.html

ADDENDA: The following items, released October 29, 1996, did not appear in  
Digest No. 204:

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## NEWS RELEASES

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BUREAU UPHOLDS DISMISSAL OF TELQUEST AND WTCI APPLICATIONS TO PROVIDE DBS  
SERVICE TO US USING CANADIAN SATELLITES (REPORT NO. IN 96-22,  
INTERNATIONAL ACTION). The International Bureau denied Petitions for  
Reconsideration filed by TelQuest Ventures, Inc. and Western  
Tele-Communications, Inc., concluding that it properly dismissed the  
TelQuest and WTCI applications to provide Direct Broadcast Satellite  
service to the United States using satellites that have not yet been  
licensed by Canada and that would be owned and operated by a Canadian

corporation, Telesat Canada. (DA No. 96-1785). IB Contact: John Stern at (202) 418-0746. Internet URL: /Bureaus/International/News\_Releases/index.html

FCC PROPOSES RULES FOR LICENSING OF "LITTLE LEOS" -- IB DOCKET NO. 96-220 (REPORT NO. DC 96-95, ACTION IN DOCKET CASE). The Commission issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that takes the next step toward licensing systems in the second processing round for the non-voice, non-geostationary mobile satellite ("Little LEO") service. Comments due November 29, 1996; replies December 16, 1996. Action by the Commission October 29, 1996, by Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FCC 96-426). Adopted: October 29, 1996. News Media Contact: Meribeth McCarrick (202) 418-0500. IB Contact: Paula Ford at (202) 418-0760 and Brian Carter at (202) 418-2119. Internet URL: /Bureaus/International/News\_Releases/nrin6026.txt

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

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Released: October 29, 1996. PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED FOR COMMENTS ON AMERITECH'S REQUEST FOR WAIVER RELATED TO MINOR AMENDMENT TO AMERITECH'S PLAN TO PROVIDE CEI TO PROVIDERS OF VOICE MAIL MESSAGING SERVICE- CCBPOL 96-23. Comments due November 4, 1996. (DA No. 96-1786). Contact: Janice Myles, Policy and Program Planning Division, Common Carrier Bureau at (202) 418-1577. Internet URL: /Bureaus/Common\_Carrier/Public\_Notices/index.html

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ITJ AMERICA, INC. Granted ITJ America, Inc. authority, pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to resell non-interconnected international private lines between the United States and Japan. Action by Chief, Telecommunications Division, International Bureau. Adopted: October 28, 1996. by O, A, and C. (DA No. 96-1782). IB Internet URL: index.html

TELQUEST VENTURES, L.L.C. Denied Petitions for Reconsideration filed by TelQuest Ventures, Inc. and Western Tele-Communications, Inc. (WTCI), concluding that Commission properly dismissed the TelQuest and WTCI applications to provide Direct Broadcast Satellite service to the United States using satellites that have not yet been licensed by Canada, and that would be owned and operated by a Canadian corporation, Telesat Canada. Action by Chief, International Bureau. Adopted: October 29, 1996. by R&O. (DA No. 96-1784). IB Internet URL: /Bureaus/International/Orders/index.html

NON-VOICE, NON-GEOSTATIONARY MOBILE SATELLITE SERVICE RULES. Issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that takes the next step toward licensing systems in the second processing round for the non-voice,

non-geostationary mobile satellite service. Comments due November 29, 1996; replies December 16. Dkt No.: IB- 96-220. Action by the Commission. Adopted: October 29, 1996. by NPRM. (FCC No. 96-426). IB  
Internet URL: /Bureaus/International/Notices/index.html

**MEDIA ACCESS PROJECT/COMMITTEE TO SUPPORT THE OREGON HEALTH PLAN.**

Concluded that the broadcast of Fairness Matters to Oregonians Committee's material without the identification of the Tobacco Institute as the sponsor is inconsistent with Commission rules; advised various Oregon broadcasters not to air the FMOC advertisement without disclosing the Tobacco Institute as the sponsor. Action by Chief, Mass Media Bureau. Adopted: October 29, 1996. by Letter. (DA No. 96-1788). MMB

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